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| IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT | | |
| FOR THE DISTRICT OF ARIZONA | | |
| Arizona Cl | hristian University, |) No. CV-23-00413-PHX-SPL |
| vs. | Plaintiff, | ORDER |
| Washingto District No | n Elementary School o. 6, et al., | |
| | Defendants. | |

On March 31, 2023, the Goldwater Institute—a non-party in this action—filed a Motion for Leave to File *Amicus Curiae* Brief (Doc. 17). The proposed *amicus curiae* brief—currently lodged at Docket Number 18—is written in support of Plaintiff Arizona Christian University's pending Motion for Preliminary Injunction.

"The Court generally does not favor *amicus curiae* briefs and does not permit them to be filed absent consent of all parties or a substantial showing that the *amicus curiae* will present relevant matters that have not or could not have been brought to the Court's attention by the parties." *Ariz. Att'ys for Crim. Just. v. Ducey*, No. CV-17-01422-PHX-SPL, 2018 WL 1570244, at *6 (D. Ariz. Mar. 30, 2018). Here, it appears that Defendants do *not* consent to the filing of the *amicus curiae*. (*See* Doc. 17 at 1 ("Defendants' counsel has stated that he 'reserves all objections' to GI's filing of an amicus brief.")).

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Accordingly, IT IS ORDERED that Defendants, if they choose to do so, shall file a Response to the Goldwater Institute's Motion for Leave to File Amicus Curiae Brief (Doc. 17) by no later than April 6, 2023 at 12:00 PM. Dated this 3rd day of April, 2023. United States District Ladge